

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 were previously pending in this application. By this amendment, Applicant is canceling claims 9-21 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 9-21 are cancelled to reduce claim fees. As a result claims 1-8 and 22-25 are pending for examination with claims 1, 5 and 7 being independent claims. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, this application should now be in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after this amendment, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicant hereby requests any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

Respectfully submitted,
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